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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR RICE MEETS WITH PGA TREKI WHO RAISES
UNGA-UNSC COOPERATION

Classified By: Ambassador Susan E. Rice for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

¶1. (C) On September 21, in a hastily scheduled meeting at the President of the General Assembly's (PGA) request, PGA Ali Abdussalam Treki asked Ambassador Rice, in her capacity as Security Council President for the month of September, for her views on what kind of cooperation and consultation there could be between the Security Council and the General Assembly. He said that the Austrian Perm Rep had raised the issue with him. He noted that he did not have anything formal to propose, would welcome ideas, but was raising the matter formally in principle.

¶2. (C) Ambassador Rice responded that the two bodies are quite separate, per the Charter. She agreed to reflect upon the matter and discuss it with her fellow Council members, noting, it would not happen under the U.S. presidency as there would be only three more meetings of the Council this month before Vietnam takes over in September.

¶3. (C) Treki responded that he specifically wanted to begin the discussion while the United States was Council President. He said that he hoped to find some way that there will not be "contradictions" between the two bodies. Ambassador Rice responded that it is the nature of the two bodies to allow difference of view or even contradictions between the two. Treki ended by saying that he hoped for a meeting monthly and to have the two "bureaus" meet as well. (Note: Treki was not specific as to whether he hoped for a meeting with the Security Council President each month, as is the custom, or specifically with the U.S. Perm Rep. End note.)
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